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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF ISSUE AND PUBLICATION FEES

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Dear Sir:

Applicant received a Notice of Allowance in the subject patent application indicating a due date of July 7, 2006 for payment of the issue and publication fees in the amount of \$1,000. Those fees were paid by mail on May 8, 2006.

Thereafter applicant received a Notice of Withdraw from Issue Under 37 CFR 1.313(b) dated July 29, 2006. As stated in that Notice, the issue and publication fees are refundable upon written request and those fees may be credited to a specific deposit account. Accordingly, this is a formal request for a refund and in that regard these fees may be credited to deposit account number 03-2775. Please reference 4975*9.

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Prompt appropriate action is respectfully requested.

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